

Dear Dr. William S. Stokes,

please do everything you can so the NIEHS adopts the new non-animal test methods immediately and completely (not only to set the starting dose for further test carried out on animals).

Furthermore government agencies that currently require the acute animal-poisoning studies should as a minimum immediately incorporate the in vitro cell culture method as a transitional means of reducing the number of animals killed and should fully support the use of this method as an eventual replacement for lethal-dose poisoning studies.

Regards

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